

***Allowable Subject Matter***

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Independent claims 1, 14, 23 and 32, when considered as a whole, are allowed over the prior art of record. Specifically, prior art of record does not teach or suggest the combination of means, arranged and interacted to perform the step/means for a first application configured to display patient images for a patient on the display unit, wherein the first application is configured to retrieve patient image data from a picture archival and communication system (PACS) and to automatically extract and generate a set of patient context data for the patient from the retrieved patient image data; and send the automatically extracted and generated set to a second application, and further wherein a second application configured to retrieve a set of patient textual data from a radiology information system (RIS) wherein the second application display the set of patient textual data on the display unit in response to the retrieval of the patient image data and extraction and generation of the set of patient context data.

***Conclusion***

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Mylinh Tran. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon - Thu from 7:00AM to 3:00PM at 571-272-4141.

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